

6 OCT 1964

SUBJECT : Current Interest Items

1. Early Retirement Bill

The event of the week was the approval given by the House on 1 October of the Senate-approved bill. We learned late Friday that the bill has now been referred to other Executive agencies for final review. Mr. Tinsley, BEC, called to check on the sections pertaining to the Federal Employees Compensation Act and was assured that they are identical to those under the Foreign Service retirement system. We shall contact CSC and State representatives Monday to seek their early concurrence in the final version of the bill.

Our draft regulation was reviewed with General Carter on 28 September and delivered to the Executive Director-Comptroller for his final review of the substantial revisions made since last May. When we have his concurrence in the regulation, we were instructed by General Carter to arrange a short meeting to brief the Director. We will then be ready to undertake coordination with BOB and staff officers of the House and Senate Armed Services Committee.

We expect to present early next week our plans for initial implementation of the system, covering primarily the screening of on-duty personnel for designation as participants and a suggested Notice to be issued when the bill has been signed by the President. It may be necessary to set up a temporary task force and perhaps designate an Acting Chairman of the CIA Retirement Board to move promptly. However, I will discuss these plans with you in detail before submitting a firm proposal.

2. Fund Drive

25X9 As of the close of business 2 October, [redacted] cards had been returned 25X9 with [redacted] pledges totaling \$42,320.13 -- 31 per cent of our goal.

3. Exercise Room

The number of participants using the Agency Exercise Room dropped last week from 165 to 117, down 48. Payments, on the honor system, continue to be good; the cash shortage of \$44 for the past week is covered by I.O.U.'s.

On the afternoon of 29 September, we commenced the sale of gym clothes. During the remainder of the week, sales totaled \$21.50.

4. Pamphlet on Equal Opportunity in Federal Employment

We recently received 250 copies of a CSC pamphlet on Equal Opportunity in Federal Employment. We have discussed distribution of this material with Frank Chapin and propose to send copies to members of the Personnel Advisory Board and Personnel Officers throughout headquarters with a memorandum from the Director of Personnel. A sample is attached.

We also propose to extract from the pamphlet appropriate sections which might be included in the Support Bulletin.

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/s/ Emmett D. Echols

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Director of Personnel

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